

STUDENT LABORATORY SAFETY RULES

1. Follow all written and verbal instructions carefully. If you do not understand a direction or part of a procedure, ask the instructor before proceeding.
2. When first entering the science room, do not touch any equipment, chemicals, or other materials in the laboratory area until you are instructed to do so.
3. Perform only those experiments authorized by the instructor. Never do anything in the laboratory that is not called for in the laboratory procedures or by your instructor. Carefully follow all instructions, both written and oral. Unauthorized experiments are prohibited.
4. Never fool around in the lab. Horseplay, practical jokes, and pranks are dangerous and prohibited.
5. Observe good housekeeping practices. Work areas should be kept clean and tidy at all times. Keep aisles clear. Push your chair under the desk when not in use.
6. Keep hands away from face, eyes, mouth, and body while using chemicals or preserved specimens. Wash your hands with soap and water after performing all experiments. Clean and wipe dry all work surfaces (including the sink) and apparatus at the end of the experiment. Return all equipment clean and in working order to the proper storage area.
7. Students are never permitted in the science storage rooms or preparation areas unless given specific permission by their instructor.
8. When using heat or corrosive chemicals, students will wear lab goggles.
9. Dress properly during a lab activity. Long hair should be tied back, and dangling jewelry and loose or baggy clothing must be secured.
10. Never remove chemicals or other materials from the lab area.
11. Report any unsafe condition, accident (spill, breakage, etc.) or injury (cut, burn, etc.) to the instructor immediately, no matter how trivial it may appear.
12. Never handle broken glass with your bare hands. Inform the instructor, as a brush and dustpan are needed to clean up broken glass. It will then be placed in the designated glass disposal container.